III. AMENDMENT TO DRAWINGS

What follows on the attached pages are amendments to the drawings. The amendments are depicted in red ink on photocopies of the original drawings submitted by Applicant. As discussed below, these amendments add certain reference numbers and otherwise bring the format of the drawings into compliance with USPTO rules, and do not introduce new matter. Attached are copies of formal drawings submitted with this Preliminary Amendment, which incorporate the amendments depicted and, it is hoped, will be acceptable. If it is necessary to submit corrected or revised drawings, substitutes will be filed.

IV. COMMENTS

The above-described amendments are submitted to revise the informal drawings submitted to bring them into compliance with USPTO rules. The amendments include the addition of certain reference numbers and figure references in the drawings and the text of the Specification. As will be seen, the correlation between the reference numbers and figure references added to the drawings and inserted in the text is self-evident, and no new matter has been introduced.

Formal drawings have been submitted simultaneously as required by the publication rules at 37 C.F.R. 1.84. It is hoped that these formal drawings will be accepted as the new drawings incorporating the attached amendments.

Applicant respectfully requests that all amendments be accepted and entered. Applicant also requests that any fee not covered and required under the rules be deducted from deposit account no. 08-2665.

Respectfully Submitted,

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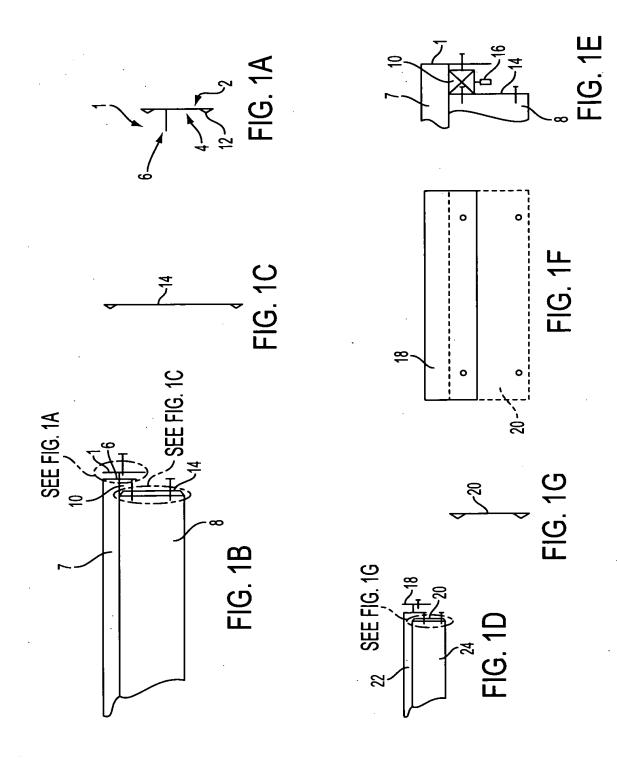
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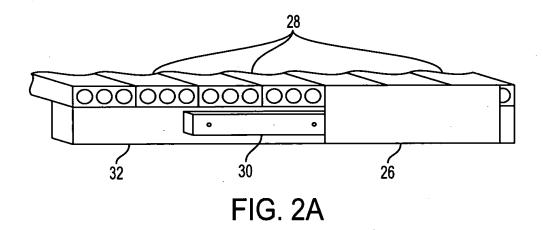
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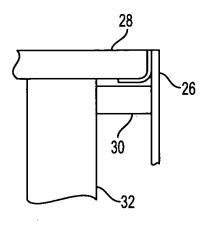


FIG. 2B

